

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, SP  
SUBJECT: PCE IN AN ELECTORAL MODE

1. THE PCE'S APPLICATION FOR LEGALIZATION STILL HAS NOT BEEN  
ACTED UPON. THE 10 DAY TIME LIMIT FOR A DECISION BY THE  
INTERIOR MINISTRY EXPIRES TOMORROW (SUNDAYS ARE NOT COUNTED).  
EVERYONE EXPECTS THAT THE PCE'S APPLICATION WILL BE REFERRED  
TO THE SUPREME COURT. EVEN SO, PARTY SOURCES REPORTEDLY HAVE  
RELEASED TO THE PRESS THE NAMES OF THOSE PCE FIGURES WHO WILL  
HEAD UP THE MOST IMPORTANT PROVINCIAL LISTS IN THE LOWER HOUSE  
CONTEST. APPARENTLY THE PCE SIMPLY WILL PRESENT THE LISTS UNDER  
AN "INDEPENDENT" LABEL IF THE PARTY IS NOT LEGALIZED PRIOR TO  
ELECTIONS.

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2. THE PARTY'S STRATEGY, WHICH WE EXPECT TO BE THE AP-  
PROACH OF ALL THE MAJOR GROUPS IF THE LAW PERMITS, IS  
TO PLACE ALL OF ITS BIG GUNS ON THE MADRID LIST, AND TO  
RUN THEM AS WELL ON THOSE OTHER PROVINCIAL SLATES WHERE  
THEY COULD BE EXPECTED TO HAVE THE MOST VOTER APPEAL.  
(THE OPPOSITION IS PLUMPING FOR SUCH A SYSTEM, WHEREIN  
CANDIDATES ELECTED IN MORE THAN ONE PROVINCE WOULD

CHOOSE THE SEAT THEY DESIRED AND WOULD RESIGN THEIR PLACE  
ON OTHER LISTS TO THE NEXT CANDIDATE BELOW THEM. THE  
GOVT REPORTEDLY IS RESISTING THIS, HOWEVER.)

3. THE PCE'S MADRID LIST REPORTEDLY WILL BE HEADED BY A  
WHO'S WHO OF PARTY NOTABLES, INCLUDING CARRILLO, LA PAS-  
IONARIA (STILL IN MOSCOW AT WRITING), CAMACHO, SANCHEZ  
MONTERO, SARTORIUS, ARIZA, AND GARCIA SALVE. CARRILLO  
ALSO REPORTEDLY WOULD HEAD UP THE ASTURIAS AND SEVILLE  
PARTY LISTS. STABLER

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